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COMPONENT

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Julie Anne Watko

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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SUMMARY

This Interview Summary concerns a telephone interview commenced December 1, 2009 and completed December 2, 2009. The participants were Examiner Julie Ann Watko and Applicants' representative Nathaniel P. Longley, Reg. No. 62,668, of Kinney & Lange, P.A. In the Interview:

- (A) No exhibits were shown or demonstrations were conducted.
- (B) The subject matter of claims 1 and 16 was discussed.
- (C) The following references were discussed: Sutton et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,965,249; Arya et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,785,094; and Takagi et al., U.S. Pub. No. 2001/008475.
- (D) A Proposed Amendment faxed November 30, 2009 was discussed. No agreement was reached as to the claims.
- (E) Support for the subject matter of the Proposed Amendment was discussed, including the specified range of vibration mode frequencies, with respect to Applicants' specification.
- (F) Predictability was discussed with respect to the frequency and material property ranges in the Proposed Amendment, as compared to teachings in the prior art.

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(G) The general outcome of the Interview was that Applicants' Representative Longley would review the Proposed Amendment before filing, taking the discussions held in the interview into account.

(H) The interview was not conducted via electronic mail.

Applicants thank Examiner Watko for her time and consideration in conducting the interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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